## **Devon and Severn IFCA News**

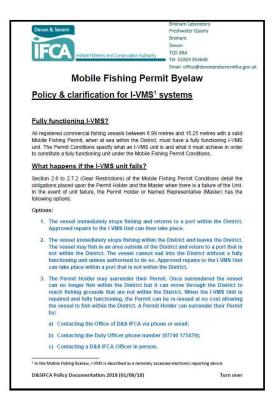
## D&S IFCA Introduces Requirements for I-VMS Systems on the Mobile Fishing Fleet

From the 28<sup>th</sup> August all mobile fishing vessels between 6.99 metres and 15.25 metres must have a fully functioning I-VMS unit to fish within the D&S IFCA District.

The requirement for the introduction of I-VMS is specified in the <u>Mobile Fishing Permit Conditions</u> that were recently amended via a review process. <u>Annexes</u> (charts) that accompany the Permit Conditions have also been circulated and demonstrate where IVMS units must transmit the required information and at what time interval.

Fishers may have questions such as:

- What is a fully functioning unit?
- What happens if the unit malfunctions?



D&S IFCA has produced a <u>Policy and Clarification Document</u> to help fishers with these key questions and explain what options exist if the I-VMS unit fails to transmit the required information.

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